Maine Revised Statutes

Title 12: CONSERVATION

Chapter 917: TRAPPING HEADING: PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 (new); Pt. D, §7 (aff); c. 614, §9 (aff)

§12258. EEL PERMIT FOR LICENSED TRAPPERS

1. Issuance. The commissioner may issue a permit to any licensed trapper to take eels for baiting traps.

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[ 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 2003, c. 614, §9 (AFF) .]
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2. Restrictions. A licensed trapper who holds a valid eel permit may for purposes of baiting traps take eels by eel pots or hook and line. A person harvesting eels under this subsection may not use any means other than eel pots or hook and line to take eels and may not take more than 20 pounds of eels annually.

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[ 2003, c. 614, §9 (AFF); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §219 (AMD); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF) .]
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- **3. Penalties.** The following penalties apply to violations of a restriction of a permit issued in accordance with this section.
 - A. A person who violates a restriction of a permit issued in accordance with this section commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 may be adjudged. [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §220 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF).]
 - B. A person who violates a restriction of a permit issued in accordance with this section after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a Class E crime. [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §220 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF).]

Each day a person violates a restriction of a permit issued in accordance with this section is a separate offense.

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[ 2003, c. 614, §9 (AFF); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §220 (RPR) .]

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